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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

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 specification, claims, or abstract page(s) submitted is not acceptable and cannot be scanned or properly
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

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Additional claim fees of \$86 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are
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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$86 for a Small Entity

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$86
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